

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1 - 8. (canceled)

9. (currently amended) A method for accessing ~~distributing~~ a message and a video stream in a conditional access system, the method comprising:

receiving ~~the video stream by~~ authorization information with a first conditional access receiver;

generating a first authorization for use of a separately received content object ~~the video stream~~ by a plurality of set top receivers ~~the first conditional access receiver;~~

~~receiving first authorization with the first conditional access receiver;~~

performing a first determination to test if a first set top ~~the first conditional access~~ receiver is authorized to access ~~receive~~ the separately received content object ~~message;~~

receiving authorization information with a second conditional access receiver;

performing a second determination to test if a the second set top conditional access receiver is authorized to access ~~receive~~ the separately received content object ~~message;~~

blocking access to the separately received content object by receipt of the message with the first set top conditional access receiver as a function of ~~based, at least in part, upon the determining if~~

the first set top conditional access receiver is authorized; and

blocking access to the separately received content object by receiving the message with the second set top conditional access receiver as a function of ~~based at least in part, upon the~~

determining if the second set top conditional access receiver is authorized.

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10. (currently amended) The method for ~~accessing a distributing the~~ message in ~~a the~~ conditional access system as recited in claim 9, wherein ~~the blocking access to the separately received content object receipt of the message~~ comprises ignoring a portion of a datastream associated with the ~~separately received content object message~~.

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11. (canceled)

12. (currently amended) The method for ~~accessing a distributing the~~ message in ~~a the~~ conditional access system as recited in claim 9, wherein the ~~separately received content object message~~ comprises a software program.

13 -26. (canceled).

27. (new) The method for accessing a message in a conditional access system as recited in claim 9, wherein the separately received content object comprises a video content.

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28. (new) The method for accessing a message in a conditional access system as recited in claim 9, wherein the separately received content object comprises an audio content.

29. (new) The method for accessing a message in a conditional access system as recited in claim 9, wherein the separately received content object comprises firmware.

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